## SENATE BILL 5625

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By Senators Kohl-Welles, Schoesler, Hewitt, Poulsen, McAuliffe and Delvin

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to gender equity reporting; and amending RCW
- 2 28B.110.040.

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- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28B.110.040 and 1997 c 5 s 5 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
  - The executive director of the higher education coordinating board, in consultation with the council of presidents and the state board for community and technical colleges, shall monitor the compliance by institutions of higher education with this chapter.
- 10 (1) The board shall establish a timetable and guidelines for 11 compliance with this chapter.
- (2) By November 30, 1990, each institution shall submit to the 12 13 board for approval a plan to comply with the requirements of RCW 14 28B.110.030. The plan shall contain measures to ensure institutional 15 compliance with the provisions of this chapter by September 30, 1994. If participation in activities, such as intercollegiate athletics and 16 17 matriculation in academic programs is not proportionate to the percentages of male and female enrollment, the plan should outline 18 19 efforts to identify barriers to equal participation and to encourage

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gender equity in all aspects of college and university life. For the purpose of determining whether participation is proportionate to the percentage of male and female enrollment, the institutions may use a three-year rolling average for male and female enrollments.

- (3) The board shall report every four years, beginning December 31, 1998, to the governor and the higher education committees of the house of representatives and the senate on institutional efforts to comply with this chapter. The report shall include recommendations on measures to assist institutions with compliance. This report may be combined with the report required in RCW 28B.15.465.
- (4) The board may delegate to the state board for community and technical colleges any or all responsibility for community college compliance with the provisions of this chapter.

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